



ate of Utah DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES Division of Oil, Gas & Mining

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Inspection Report Minerals Regulatory Program

Report Date July 21, 2005

Weather: Mostly clear, 70's

Mine Name: Green River Project	Permit number: S/019/058
Operator Name: Green River Project, LLC	Inspection Date: May 18, 2005
	Time: 5:20 to 5:45 PM
Inspector(s): Paul Baker and Doug Jensen	

Other Participants: None

Mine Status: Proposed (at the time; now permitted and

presumably active)

Elements of Inspection	Evaluated	Comment	Enforcement
1. Permits, Revisions, Transfer, Bonds	\bowtie	\bowtie	
2. Public Safety (shafts, adits, trash, signs, highwalls)		Ħ	Ħ
3. Protection of Drainages / Erosion Control			
4. Deleterious Material			
5. Roads (maintenance, surfacing, dust control, safety)			
6. Concurrent Reclamation			
7. Backfilling/Grading (trenches, pits, roads,			
highwalls, shafts, drill holes)			
8. Water Impoundments			
9. Soils	\boxtimes	\boxtimes	
10. Revegetation	\boxtimes	\boxtimes	
11. Air Quality			
12. Other			

Purpose of Inspection:

We wanted to see what the site looked like prior to any disturbance. We also wanted to see how to get to the site.

Inspection Summary:

1. Permits, Revisions, Transfer, Bonds

The Division Director signed the reclamation contract for this project on June 3, 2005, which gave the operator final approval to begin mining.

9. Soils

The area is an alluvial deposit adjacent to the Green River, so the soils are coarse-textured with a lot of cobbles. There are some areas of previous disturbance, including holes, mounds, and trenches (Photos 1, 2, and 4), but little of this disturbance is within the area the operator staked. There is also some old equipment in the area (Photos 4 and 6), but I do not believe any of it was in the area the operator intends to disturb.

10. Revegetation

Much of the area is vegetated with native species, including shadscale and snakeweed (Photos 3 and 5), but there is also a lot of cheatgrass, particularly in disturbed areas.



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Conclusions and Recommendations:

Placer mine operators generally remove much of the fine material leaving the cobbles which have essentially no water holding capacity. For this reason, it is important that the operator salvage enough soil for revegetation. The Division's letter giving final approval for this project said at least one foot of soil ought to be salvaged.

Cheatgrass tends to quickly invade disturbed areas where the soil have an abundant seed supply and good drainage. It is important that the operator seed topsoil stockpiles with an interim revegetation seed mixture and that disturbed areas be reclaimed and seeded as soon as possible after they are no longer needed for mining. If this is not done, I anticipate the entire area will be covered with cheatgrass.

Inspector's Signature

Directions to Site:

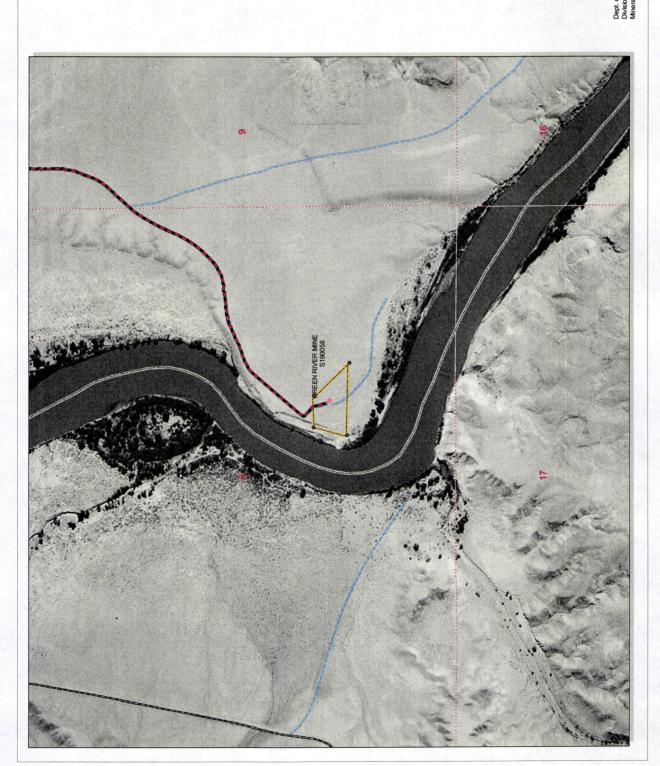
One of the attached maps shows how to get to the site. It is not hard to follow the access road until getting to within about a mile of the site. The main road leads toward the Green River, and there are some alfalfa fields to the north of this road. A less conspicuous road veers to the left toward the mine site.

The other map shows the area of the proposed mine site. The NOI included four points that determine the boundary of the disturbed area, and these points are plotted on this map. The NOI shows the disturbed area as a rectangle, but the coordinates do not form a rectangle.

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cc: Operator
Attachment: GPS maps
Photos

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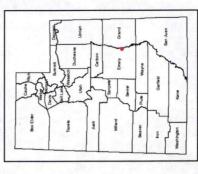
Mine Number: S190058 Mine Name: Green River Mine Township 22 S Range 16 E Section 08 SLBM Inspection Date May 18, 2005 Map Produced by DKS

Total Acres Distrubed 0 Acres Reclaimed 0 Acres Excluded 0	Acres Regraded 0 Acres Seeded 0	Acres Disturbed 0
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Legend All items symbolized in legend may not be appear on map



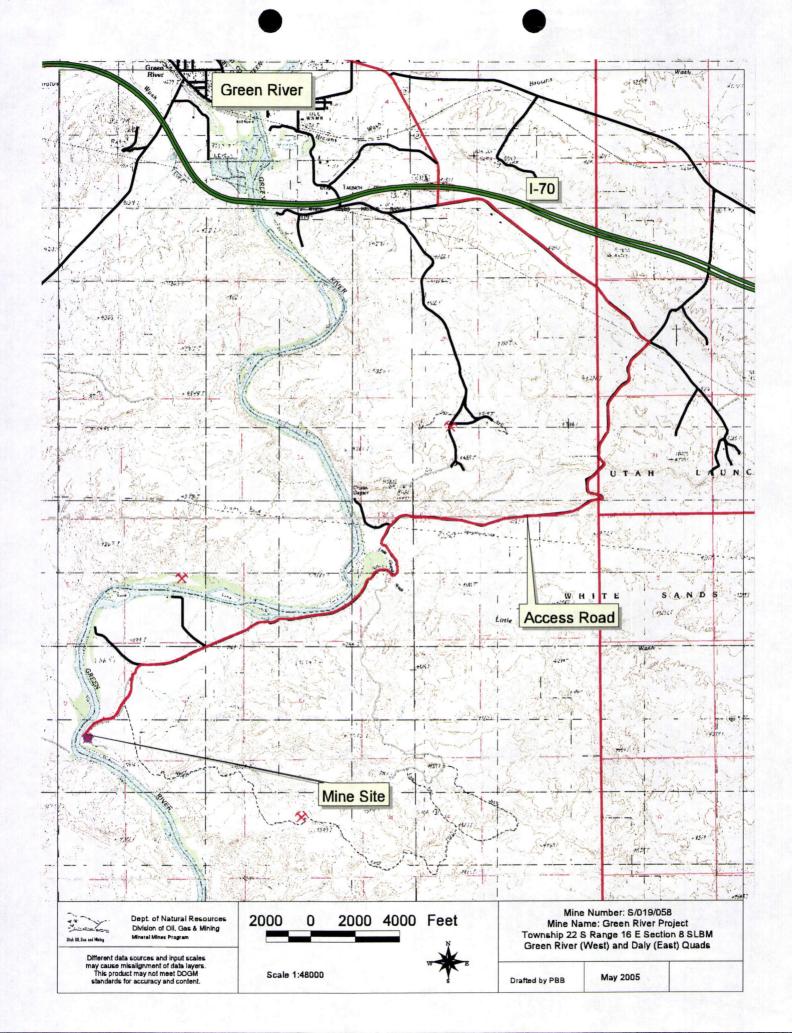
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Scale 1:6,000 (verify scale) 1 inch = 500 feet



ATTACHMENT

Photographs
S/019/058, Green River Mine, Green River Project, LLC
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Photo 1. Some of the previous disturbance. This is not in the area staked for the new mine.



Photo 3. Part of the area proposed to be disturbed.



Photo 2. More previous disturbance. This is also not in the area staked for the new mine.



Photo 4. Some old equipment and disturbance near the area proposed to be disturbed.

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Photo 5. An undisturbed area. Most of the vegetation is native perennial shrubs and grasses, but there is a lot of cheatgrass in the area.

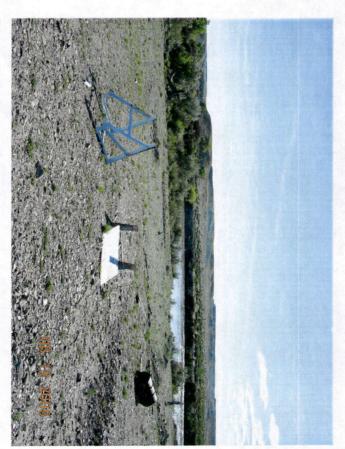


Photo 6. Leftovers from the previous operation.